REMARKS

All amendments are made in a good faith effort to advance the prosecution on the merits of this case. Applicant reserves the right to subsequently take up prosecution on the claims as originally filed in this or an appropriate continuing application.

Applicant respectfully requests that these amendments above be entered and submits that these amendments will put the claims in condition for allowance. Antecedent basis for these amendments can be found throughout the specification.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant has made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons and for other reasons clearly apparent, Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of all pending claims. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference or an interview would advance prosecution of the Application, the undersigned attorney for Applicant is happy to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

Commissioner is authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 08-0300 of Halliburton Energy Services, Inc., for any payment of fees that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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